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BRYAN'S ACCEPTANCE.

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monetization of silver. Speaking in descendants of those who are wronged the house of representatives on the today. 17th of February, 1878, he said: 'The struggle now going on in this and other countries for a single gold standdistress throughout the commercial its overthrow, the Chicago platform world. The destruction of silver as presents a clear and emphatic demand money and the establishing of gold as the sole unit of value must have a free and unlimited coinage of silver runious effect upon on all forms of and gold at the present legal ratio of every other sort of property.'

"It is not strange that the holders all the prominent statesman of our of investments which hold a fixed re- nation from the days of the first preturn in money can regard the destruc- sident down to 1873. When we ask tion of silver with complacency. But that our mints be opened to the free may we not expect the holders of and unlimited coinage of silver into a against giving to money a 'dispropor- asking that the same mint privileges tionate and unfair advantage over be accorded to silver that are now acother species of property? The re- corded to gold. When we ask that this latively few whose wealth consists coinage be at the ratio of 16 to 1 we largely in fixed investments have the simply ask that our gold coins and right to use the ballot to enhance the value of their investments. Have not membered, contain the same amount the rest of the people the right to use of pure silver as the first ones coined the ballot to protect themselves from at our mints, retain their present standard? People who must purchase advantage of the metalic system is money with products of toil stand in best stated by a writer on political a position entirey different from the position of those who own money or illustration: receive fixed income. The well-being

"What shall it profit us to have a dollar which grows more valuable a river which has but one feeder must fit to surrender a right which should every day, if such dollar lowers the rise or fall with the other. So, in the have been exercised for the protection standard of civilization and brings case of bimetallism, the metallic of the interests of the people. This distress to the people? What shall it money receives contributions from the executive action has already been profit us if in trying to raise our credit gold mines and silver mines, and, rest- made the excuse of more than \$250,by increasing our purchasing power of ing upon the two metals, is less change- 000,000 in bond issues, and it is imposour dollars we destroy our ability to able in its purchasing power than the sible to estimate the amount of bonds pay the debts already contracted by dollar which rests on one metal only. which may hereafter be issued if this lowering the purchasing power of the lf there are two kindsof money, the policy is continued. We are told that products with which these debts must option must rest either with the debtor any attempt upon the part of the govbe paid? If it be asserted, as it con- or creditor. Assuming that their ernment to redeem its obligations in stantly is asserted, that the gold rights are equal, we must look at the silver would put a premium on gold, standerd will enable us to borrow interests of society in general in order but why should it? The bank of that money from abroad, I reply that to determine to which side the option France exercises the right to redeem the restoration of bimetallism will re- should be given. Under this metallic all bank paper in either gold or silver, store the parity between money and system gold and silver are linked and yet France maintains the parity and property and thus permit together by law at a fixed ratio, and between gold and silver at the ratio of an era of prosperity, which will any person owning any quantity of 15t to 1 and retains in circulation enable the American people to be- either metal can have the same con- more silver per capita than we do in come lenders of money instead of verted into full legal-tender money. perpetual borrowers. Then if we desire to borrow, how long can we continue berrowing under a system shall be made, it is reasonable to sup-lible plan for avoiding the danger which, by lowerng the value of pose that he will require the debtor to property, weakens the foundation pay in the better money if there is any upon which our credit rests?

perceptible difference between the bullion values of the metals. This new "It seems to me that holders of fixed investments, though they gain an ad- demand created for the better metal vantage from the appreciation of the will make that metal dearer still, dollar, must certainly see the injustice while the decreased demand for the of legislation that gives them this cheaper metal cheaper still. On the advantage over those whose incomes other hand, if the debtor exercises the depend upon the value of property and option, it is reasonable to suppose that products. If holders of fixed invest- he will pay in the cheaper metal, if one ments (will not listen to arguments metal is perceptibly cheaper than the the other:but the demand thus created CASTORIA.

based upon justice and equity, I appeal to them to consider the interests of posterity. We do not live for States the option reserved by law to denial and our anxious care, all these are for those who are to come after us, |coln. as much as for ourselves, but we cannot protect our children beyond the period of our lives. Let those who are now reaping the advantage from the various financial system remember that in years to come their children and their childen's children may, "Mr. Blaine discussed the same through the operations of this same dation. Secretary Carlisle appeared principle in connection with the de- system, be made to pay tribute to the before the house committee on appro- hair, cement and shingles, and

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price, while the lessened demand for

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the noteholder.'

property except those investments 16 to 1 without waiting for the aid or adopted at the beginning of the rewhich yield fixed returns in money. consent of any other nation. We are sumption, and I am not saying this for nal. Those would be enormously enhanced not asking that a new experiment be the purpose of criticising the action WANTED-Every one to attend and bring Those would be enormously enhanced in value and would gain a disproportionate and unfair advantage over to the financial policy approved by the cleek, but if the policy of reserving to W. hall, on next Friday vening, August 14. experience of history and supported by the government at the beginning of at 8 o'clock. Musical program during the all the prominent statesman of our resumption the option of redeeming evening. Admission 15c. 12 3t other forms of property to protest full legal-tender money we are simply taries of the treasury from the beginstandard silver dollars which, be it rethe disastrous consequences of a rising weights and fineness. The theoretical as we have had in the last two years, HERE'S YOUR CHANCE .- A proprietor disastrous.' economy, who suggests the following

THE BOND ISSUES. that it was wise to follow a bad preceof the nation, aye of civilization itself more uniform in volume than a river dent, but from his answer it will be depends upon the prosperity of the fed from only one source—the reason seen the fault does not lie with the being that when one of the feeders is greenbacks and the treasury, but with swollen the other may be low; whereas, the executive officers who have seen

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In other words, when the creditor has the option, the metals are drawn apart; whereas, when the debtor has the option, the metals are held together, approximately at the ratio fixed by law, provided, the demand created is sufficient to absorb all of

both metals presented at the mint. "Society is therefore interested in having the option exercised by the debtor. Indeed, there can be no such thing as real bimetallism unless the option is exercised by the debtor, The exercise of the option by the debtor compels the creditor classes, whether domestic or foreign, to exert themselves to maintain the parity between gold and silver at the legal ratio, whereas they might find a profit in driving one of the metals to a premium if they could then demand the dearer metal. The option of the debtor to choose the coin in which payments shall be made extends to obligations due the government as well as contracts between individuals. A government obligation is simply a debt due from all the people to one of the people, and it is impossible to justify a policy which makes the interests of one person, who holds the obligation, superior to the rights of the many, who must be taxed to pay it. When, prior to 1013, silver was at a premium, it was never contended that national honor required the payment of government obligations in silver, and the Matthews resolution adopted by congress in 1878 asserted the right of the United States to redeem coin obligations in standard silver dollars, as well as in gold coin.

"Upon this subject the Chicago platform reads:

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"It is constantly assumed by some that the United States notes, com-1890, are responsible for the recent drain upon the gold reserve. But this assumption is entirely without founpriations on January 21, 1895, and I finest quality of grass seeds. quote from the printed report of his testimony:

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